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Wilmington Democrats outnumbered the Republicans, in voting, at the State Primaries, Tuesday evening.

Out of a total of 794 votes cast, 418 were Democratic and 376 Republican. The polls were open from 4 to 8 pm and at no time was there any decided crowd of voters casting their ballots.

Long Count

Because of the record number of Democrats seeking nomination as Clerk of Courts, County Commissioner, and Register of Probate, the counting of the few votes cast took as long as the counting of the votes in the national election two years ago.

The final results were not announced until after 12 o'clock and the national results, two years ago were completed by 11:45 pm.

'Sticker' candidates, on the Republican side helped to cause more confusion among the counters. There were two sticker candidates, Charles Gibbons of Stoneham candidate for the Governor's nomination, and Alan H. Fenton, of Fairmeadow Road, candidate for nomination as State Senator.

Both names appeared in many places on the ballots, including the Democratic Ballots.

Penton received a vote for US Senator, Massachusetts Governor, Lt. Governor, District Attorney, Clerk of the Courts, two for Representative in the General Court, and 15 as State Senator.

It is not known whether or not the Fenton stickers were distributed with his permission. He voted, in the primary but merely walked in, cast his ballot, and then walked out again.

Leading Vote Getters

Lieutenant Governor Frances E. Murphy with 390 votes, led the Democratic candidates in popularity, while Mrs. Edith Mourse Rogers, Member of Congress, led the Republican candidates with 349 votes.

The Democratic Vote

Senator, Kennedy, 364; Governor, Furcolo 374; Lt. Governor Murphy, 390; Secretary, Cronin 377; Treasurer, Shaughnessey, 286; Kennedy 119; Auditor, Buckley, 376; Atty General, McCormack 195; Peabody 221; Congressman, Sullivan, 369; Councillor, Crimmins 297; Luongo 81; State Senator, Lantagne 72; Madden 218; McGlinchey 98; Representative, Donohue 362; MacRae 250; District Attorney, O'Dea 303; Trodden 106; Clerk of Courts, August 4, Brady 26, Corbett 15, Desmond 34, Dever 24, Fitzpatrick 39, MacNeil 9, Harold McKelvey (Wilmington) 192, Sullivan 43.



GIBBONS KEPT HIS WORD

DESPITE THE FACT THAT HIS DUTIES HAD BEEN GREATLY INCREASED BY BEING NAMED THE REPUBLICAN DESIGNATE FOR GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS, CHARLES GIBBONS OF STONEHAM WAS AT THE REPUBLICAN COOKOUT, SATURDAY NIGHT, ARRIVING ABOUT 11 PM., IN TIME FOR A MIDNIGHT SNACK. ABOVE ARE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE WHO ACTED AS COOKS FOR THE PARTY, WHICH HAD OVER 1200 PRESENT. BELOW LEFT E. HAYWARD BLISS DOUBLES IN BRASS TO INTRODUCE THE CANDIDATES. AT RIGHT LOWER IS GIBBONS, WITH MRS. WAVIE DREW, REPUBLICAN TOWN CHAIRMAN. TO EACH SIDE ARE MR AND MRS ALBERT KITCHENER, AND BEHIND THEM ARE BOB EVANS, JOHN SAVKO, AND PAUL GODZYK.

Register of Deeds, Finnegan, 375; County Commissioners, Brennan 138, Buckley 34, Buckley (Watertown) 5, Burke 23, Campbell 5, Cardoso 14, Ennis 10, Gendreau 18, Masterson 6, Sarcia 3, Sullivan 18, Valentino 10 and Walsh 83.

Register of Probate, Harvey 147, Avery 20, Bailey 6, Bowen 9, Bradley 9, Brennan 29, Buckley 17, Carr 17, Cosgrove 12, Crane 5, O'Connor 23, O'Dea 36 and Sullivan 30.

Republican Ballots

US Senator Celeste 289; Governor, Fingold 12, Volpe 3, McKay 1, Gibbons 320. Lt. Governor Nelson 336.

Secretary, Boch 330. Treasurer Yerxa 325; Auditor, Adams 323; Atty General Herter 347; Congressman, Rogers 349; Councillor, Dutille 72, Forte 142, Green 45, Russo 16, Warren 40.

State Senator, Gibbons 129, Penton 15, Conway 5. Representatives, Tanner 298, Bowen 112 and West 256.

Dist. Attorney, Andrew 275, Mahan 47. Clerk of Courts, Hughes 322. Register of Deeds, Janas 313. County Commissioner Cahill 83, Lowe 134, Rogers 94. Register of Probate Bell 145, Fitzgerald 176.

REPRESENTATIVES VOTE AT A GLANCE

	Wil.	No. Rea.	Rea.	Woburn	Total
Tanner (R)	298	294	2022	639	3253
West (R)	256	181	1460	833	2730
Bowen (R)	112	160	703	153	1128
Donohue (D)	362	136	257	3296	4051
MacRae (D)	250	149	200	1402	2001

GOWING FAMILY REUNION

The largest group at the annual Gowing Family Reunion, held this year in Littleton and Acton was the Wilmington group led by retiring president Roy Bedell.

All descendants of Daniel Gowing, the last lock keeper of the old Middlesex Canal, the Wilmington group included Mrs. Bedell and their sons and daughters, Mrs. Otto Bischoff the family historian, with Mr. Bischoff and family Mrs. Walter Kirkell and her 6 month old daughter, Sharon Marie, who was the youngest member of the family present, and Mrs. Almon Allard, secretary-treasurer, with Mr. Allard and their family.

The 69th reunion was held on the 100 acre grounds of Harry Bedell, formerly of Wilmington and now of Acton and Littleton the meeting being at Camp Nashoba, on the shores of beautiful Fort Pond.

Mr. Bedell was elected president for the coming year.

Mrs. William Arthur Rayner, 82, of East Acton was the oldest member of the family present. She came with her daughter, Mrs. Carl Johanson of South Hadley. Other members of the family were present from Tewksbury, Reading, Wakefield, Middleboro (Frank and Elizabeth Furlan) and Pelham N.H. The society is composed of descendants of Robert Gowing, who came to America from Scotland in 1634.

BOOSTERS TO ELECT

The Wilmington Boosters will elect their new officers, in a meeting to be held tomorrow evening, at the Silver Lake Betterment Hall. The meeting is scheduled for 7 pm. Records and accomplishments of the past year will be discussed.

STEVENS SUPERMARKET COLOR TV DRAWN BY MRS. ENDICOTT

Winner of the beautiful new 1958, 21 inch Motorola Color TV set, at the Stevens Supermarket drawing last Saturday was Mrs. Endicott of Brattle St Silver Lake, Wilmington.

EUGENE SULLIVAN TO BE INSTALLED AS LEGION COMMANDER TONIGHT



Eugene Sullivan, Crest Ave., is to be installed as Commander of the Wilmington post 136 American Legion, in ceremonies in the Wildwood School, tonight. The new Commander, a veteran of the Korean War, is a patrolman in the Wilmington Police Department.

To be installed as Vice Commanders will be Frank Thibeau and James Duchard. Other officers to be installed include Robert Pellerin, Chaplain; Charles Higgins, Adjutant; James Fairweather, Sgt.-At-Arms; Joseph B. McMahon, Finance Officer; Arthur B. Harper, Judge Advocate and John Winters, Historian.

Mrs. Rose Zwicker of Mystic Avenue, North Wilmington will become the President of the Legion Auxiliary, with Laura Doucette as Senior Vice President, and Viola Faulkner as Junior Vice President.

Other officers of the Auxiliary will be Joanne Sullivan, Secretary; Marguerite Harper, Treasurer; Mildred Tautges, Chaplain; and Mary White, Historian.

The installation is open to the public, and to members of other Legion Posts. There is to be refreshments and dancing after the installation.

QUIET SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Parking is to be banned, shortly, on both sides of Middlesex Avenue, north of the Boston & Maine RR tracks in North Wilmington.

The Selectmen, Monday evening, discussed the situation with John Elia, one of the principal landowners in the area, and operator of Elia's Country Store. Mr. Elia agreed that the public would be better served if no parking were to be allowed in front of his store and the barbershop, and that parking should be in the new parking lot, or in one which he is developing, behind his store.

The new parking lot is expected to be oiled in about two weeks, after which there will be signs erected.

Taxes

TM Calabrese noted that there were a lot of Veterans making out their applications for Abatement of Taxes, on the first night that the new Principal Assessor, Stanley Webber was on duty. Mr. Webber, Calabrese noted, handled the public with ease and dispatch.

He told the Selectmen that applications for Abatement of taxes, whether widows, or veterans, or other, must be in the Town Hall before Oct. 1.

Speaking of the land which the state has taken for the new highway, Calabrese told the Selectmen that the person who is the record owner on Jan. 1 is the person who must pay the taxes for the land. If the state took the land after that date they will take care of their share of the taxes with the individual concerned, in the final settlement - and not with the Town.

Youth Canteen

A letter was received from the Youth Canteen, explaining that they were planning to insulate, and install heating in the Old North School, and that the Community Fund was willing to help defray the expenses.

The Community Fund felt, however, that the Youth Canteen should have some type of title or lease, before they could let the Youth Canteen have money to spend on the old school.

The Selectmen agreed to send a letter to the Community Fund saying that at the first special or regular Town Meeting (after that of next Monday) the Selectmen would introduce an article asking the town to lease the Old North School to the Community Fund, in the same manner that the South School is leased to the Wilmington Skating Club, and further assured the Community Fund that they expected such an article would have no trouble being passed by the town.

The Youth Canteen was praised by both Selectman Don Kidder and TM Calabrese as 'doing a wonderful job'.

Sealer of Weights

Daniel Pike, son of the former Sealer of Weights and Measures, has been appointed to the position. Calabrese told the Selectmen. Mr. Pike lives on Lawn Street, off Morse Ave.

Thoroughfares behind

Steven's Market

The Selectmen and TM agreed that 450 feet of Beeching Ave. between Faulkner Ave and Essex Road should be reconstructed and surfaced, in the 1959 work (cont Pg 6)

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SQUARING THE CIRCLE

*'Give me a log hut, with only a simple
bench, Mark Hopkins on one end and I on
the other, and you may have all the build-
ings, apparatus and libraries without
end.'*

Our Town Meeting, next Monday, is going to
be almost unique in town history, in that only
one article is to be discussed. There promises,
however, to be more than a little discussion.
It is not a Town Meeting which is going to be
finished within five or ten minutes.

The Chief issue to be decided is the educa-
tional value of squaring a circle, to cost ap-
proximately \$25,000. A committee, charged with
building a school, will be opposing an effort
to make it spend more money and that is one for
the books. It is something that is unique, not
only in Wilmington, but throughout the Common-
wealth, and for our money, it will be worth any
one's time, just to see a committee get up in
Town Meeting and plead with the voters "Please
Do Not Give Us More Money!"

The Why of the Meeting

Our Permanent Building Committee was charged
with the duty of building a school for \$400,000.
They are prepared to do just that. They have
plans for a good school of first class material.

But the bonding attorneys, (due to the nature
of their profession, being at heart very
skeptical persons) have raised a question as to
the town's intent regarding the \$50,000 which
was spent by the previous School Building Com-
mittee.

For this reason our Permanent Building Com-
mittee has asked that the town clarify its vote.
The Permanent Building Committee is asking for
a vote of \$450,000, \$50,000 of which is to de-
fray the expenses of the previous committee,
and \$400,000 of which is for the new off Glen
Road School.

Enter the School Committee

Now we have another voice to hear from--that
of our worthy School Committee.

These people have come to the conclusion
that they do not like the plans proposed by the
Permanent Building Committee.

They would rather see a square school. They
don't like the idea of a circle. They don't
like the idea of classrooms which are slightly
wedge-shaped. They don't like the idea of a cir-
cular corridor. They don't like the location of
the cafeteria.

So the School Committee is going to rise up

SUSIE'S

SONNETS



WINDY MONTH

When September comes a' knocking,

There's election everywhere,

And the air is full of speeches,

And the speeches full of air.

and ask the voters to add another \$25,000 to
the amount to be voted, and have a school built
which will be more conventional in shape.

The Building Committee, listening to these
arguments have gone to the trouble of preparing
alternate plans, so that the voters can have
their choice - another item for the books, if
you ask us, when we consider what has happened
in the past.

The Jinx

As we stated very many months ago, this
school is one that has seemed to have a jinx
from the start. We think the jinx days are just
about a thing of the past, but our readers
ought to be acquainted with what has happened
in the past, just in case they are newcomers to
our fair town.

We appointed a committee to build a school,
off Glen Road, two years ago.

The committee hired an architect, and came
up with a plan for a Rolls Royce School. We use
this term advisedly, and we have a right to, in
as much as it was this paper that dubbed our
Wildwood School the Cadillac School with the
Tin Lizzie Finish.

The committee had a lot of trouble with the
State Emergency Finance Board, over their plans.
That Board thought the school was too expensive
and would not approve the \$800,000 voted by the
town.

There was a lot of to do about that \$800,000.
Neither the School Building Committee nor the
School Committee were very explicit as to why
the money should be so great, and for a long
time the town went along with them, on the plea
that the school was needed.

It was the Town Crier that eventually point-
ed out the waste that was being proposed, in
this school. We through this column pointed out
to the taxpayer that a lot of money was planned
for expensive items that had nothing to do with
education - the \$36 hand carved coat hooks, for
instance, just to mention one item that we
brought to the taxpayer's attention.

The result was the last act in the Jinx
School. The Townspeople turned down the proposal
and we are proud of this. The taxpayers, acting
on information gained through this column, have
saved themselves (assuming that each of them has
an average home) the sum of about \$5 a year in
taxes for the next 20 years.

Corridors and Beams

One thing in particular that bothered us a-
bout that school was the excessive amount of co-
rridor space.

Corridor space is necessary, but in terms of
education it is unproductive. The productive
part of a school is the class room. The class-
room is the reason for its existence. The corri-
dor is a necessary evil which has no productive
purpose.

TOWN NOTES

Weather

Its just a matter of time
now. One of these days we'll
wake up to discover that we
have had a touch of frost dur-
ing the night, and that some
of our flowers will bloom no
more.

Its a full moon, Saturday,
just in case you are inclined
to be superstitious, and tie
in the frost with the fullmoon.
You can take your choice, 3
days before, or 3 days after,
depending entirely on the
breed of superstitious critter
you may happen to be.

We have had only one day with
rain, so far this month. Thun-
der and lightning, and .17
inches of rain, last Sunday.

Doc Hathaway's Tree

Some weeks ago we mentioned
in this column that Doc Hath-
away had a big oak tree, with a
four foot trunk, which would
not have to be cut for the new
highway. We were glad to be a-
ble to report this, for it was
believed this was the oldest
oak in New England.

The oak was cut down though,
several weeks ago. Nothing
seems to escape the saws of
those highway gangs.

The tree, we must report, was
well decayed in the inside of
the trunk. It might have lived
a couple of hundred years more
but it really had no future to
look forward to.

The Hand That Shook, etc.

Mr. Democrat, of Wilmington,
otherwise known as Francis J.
Hagerty, Chairman of the Board
of Selectmen, and dispenser of
kind and sundry words around
town, in the Selectmen's meet-
ings, and down at the Lion's
Club, disguised himself as a
teen ager (except for that
bald spot) Saturday night, and
thus was able to shake hands
with non less than Richard Ni-
xon, Vice President of the U-
nited States, and Mr Republi-
can of the US.

Frank and Danny Gillis went
to the Green-Bay Packers Chi-
cago Giants game, in the BU
field, Saturday. Their seats
were only five rows behind
that of the Vice President and
his party.

Frank was quite excited, and
spent the evening trying to
figure out how he could shake
hands with the illustrious
gentleman. It was impossible
to really get near him because
of guards, and more guards.

But, during the half, when
the Vice President was cross-
ing over to the other side a
group of 'teen-agers succeeded
in breaking through the cordon
and getting handshakes and au-
tographs from Nixon.

It was then that Hagerty and
Gillis tried to revert to
their younger days. Doing
their very best to look like a
pair of care-free college boys
they joined the milling crowd,
and elbowed their way through.

Frank's immortal words, as
he shook Nixon's hands were: I
am very proud to be able to
shake the hand of the Vice-
President of the United
States!

And he hasn't washed his hand
since!

The Old Canal

We note that another section
of the Old Middlesex Canal has
been filled in, a section
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The original off-Glen Road school plans called for 23% of the buildings to be corridor space.

The plans which are now being submitted by the Permanent Building Committee for 12% of the building to be corridors.

The plan which the School Committee would adopt, (more conventional) calls for 13%.

In both of the new plans, it will be noted, there has been a great savings one of which any one can approve. But there is a difference.

The circular design has an advantage in that the overhead beams need not be of such heavy construction, size and bearing capacity, as would a more conventional design. This, together with other points, will enable the Committee to save a considerable sum.

The estimated \$25,000 which our School Committee wants to spend would in a large part be expended for the heavier beams demanded by the conventional design.

Comments on Design

The costs per pupil for the so-called circular plan should be about \$1100. The State average, in 1954 was \$1840 per pupil. The cost of the conventional type, which our School Committee wants would be about \$1200 per pupil.

The School Committee objects to the so-called circular design because it is experimental, and because we have an understanding that the school now to be built is to be a prototype for future elementary schools if the town approves (and it appears, at this time, that we will definitely be called upon to provide another school in the next annual Town Meeting).

Out in Brookfield a school was built with five-sided class rooms. In Newbury a school has been built, circular in shape, with curved walls in the classrooms.

In the off-Glen Road school the Permanent Building Committee proposes to have four sided rooms, with straight walls, which will be slightly wedge shaped. In our belief there is nothing wrong with this - except that it doesn't agree with what is at its best fogbound tradition. Let us note too, that the basically circular school is not uncommon - it is just that we New Englanders haven't lifted our eyes off the hills yet, and looked into other parts of the country.

The plans, as we have surveyed them, show that the school is not being designed as an "austerity" school. That type of school too often proves to be more expensive in the long run because of upkeep costs. The plans for the off-Glen Road school call for glazed structural tile up to about five feet, in the classroom and corridor spaces. An asphalt tile flooring is planned. Maintenance costs are to be kept to a minimum. The committee, in our estimation, has planned a good school rather than one which could be built for less money.

The Objections

Our School Committee, several times in the past has gone on record that theirs is not the duty of designing schools - that all they want is proper classrooms for the pupils.

But we are glad that they have ventured to state opinions on this school. We would still like to hear some of their opinions on the plan which was turned down last November.

Our School Committee objects to the location of the kitchen, because the pupils will be served in the corridor, and have to carry their lunches to the cafeteria.

So do we. We think the kitchen should be within the inner circle, where it is now planned to have toilets. This would separate the kitchen from the classrooms, and provide less distraction for the pupils.

The School Committee objects to the Circular Corridor. We don't. We point out that this is basically the simplest of all designs. It will

be the least expensive to build, and to maintain, and, as we pointed out previously, corridor space does not come under the heading of productive education.

The School Committee doesn't like wedge shaped classrooms.

The classrooms in the older part of the high school are about 21 feet wide.

The narrowest part of the classrooms in the circular school will be 18 feet wide. After one considers the space taken up, behind the teacher's desk, and in front of the teacher's desk, the classroom will be about 21 feet wide, where the pupils will be sitting. From there on it gets wider, so that in effect the pupils will have more space - more breathing room as it were.

What is wrong with this?

The School Committee is afraid to endorse this school, because it is planned to be a prototype.

They will agree that the town can save money by having a prototype, in which the plan is owned by the town, rather than the architect, and in which the town will save 75% of the architectural fees for future schools. But they don't like this school for a prototype.

They are afraid that the town won't like to duplicate this school.

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BOOKMOBILE WILL MAKE AFTERNOON CALLS SEPT 16 AND 17

The Bookmobile has changed its schedule to afternoon calls at both the Wilmington stops. It will call at Silver Lake Tuesday, September 16, at 2:45 p.m. and at Hathaway Acres, North Wilmington, Wednesday, Sept 17, at 2:30 p.m.

CAFETERIA MENUS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15

Monday: Hamburger and Gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered peas bread and butter, fruit cup, milk

Tuesday: Dagwood Junior, potato chips, cucumber chips, jello, milk

Wednesday: Grilled frankfurter on buttered roll, potato salad, buttered whole kernel corn, cup cakes, milk

Thursday: Home baked beans, cold cuts, tomato wedges, dark bread and butter, chocolate pudding, milk

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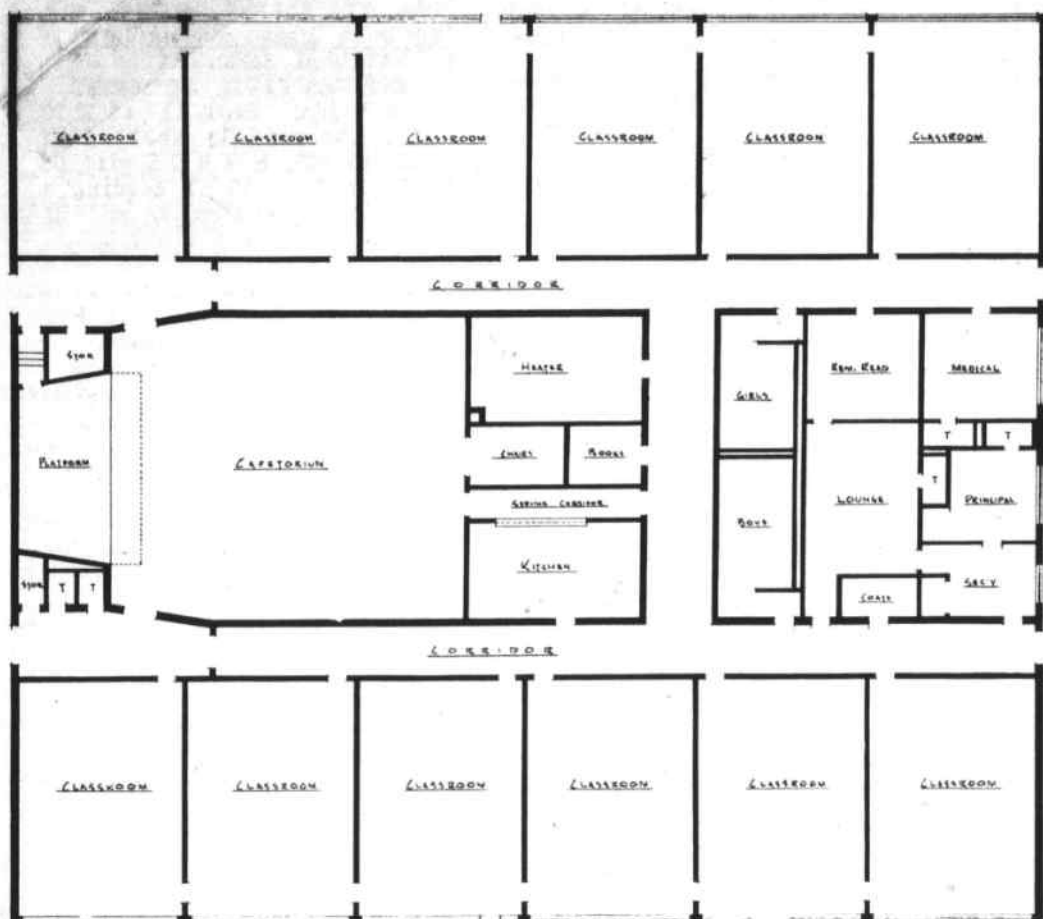
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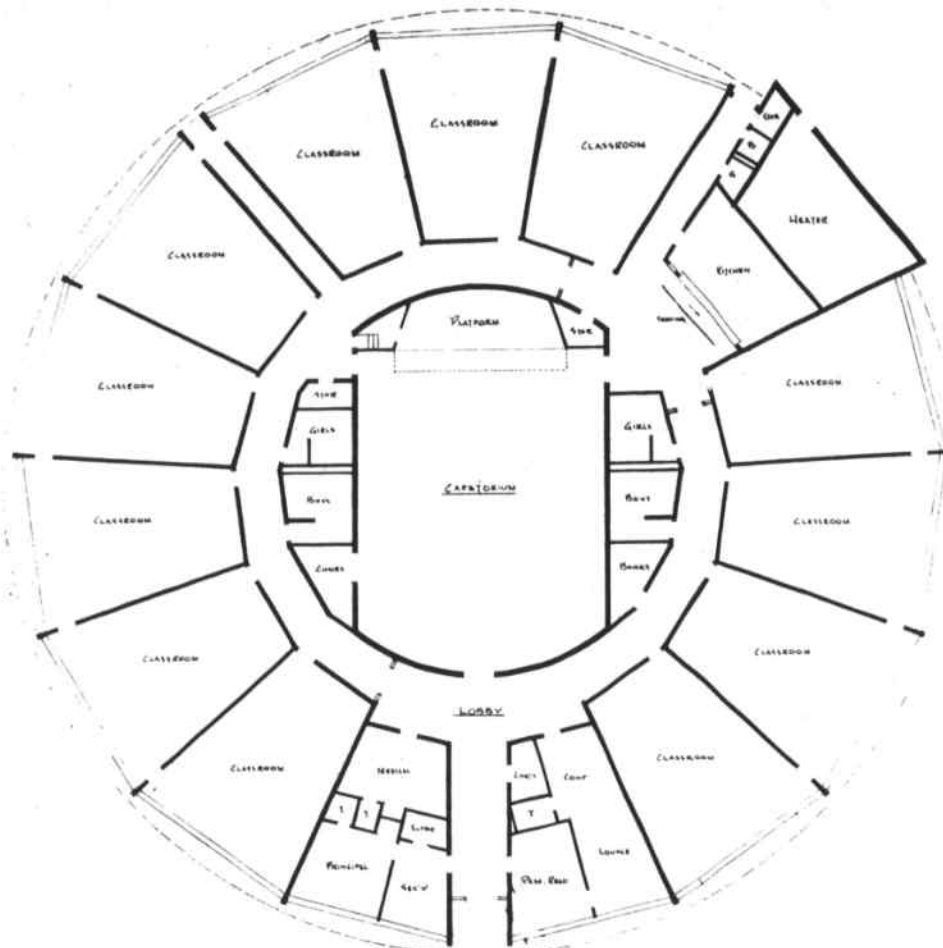
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FLOOR PLAN

ROUND OR SQUARE SCHOOL? THE SCHOOL BOARD WANTS IT SQUARE. THE BUILDING COMMITTEE ROUND. THE VOTERS WILL DECIDE.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OPPOSED TO CIRCULAR SCHOOLHOUSE

The Wilmington School Committee, at its meeting on Sept. 3rd recorded itself as being opposed to the construction of a circular school house, on the off-Glen Road site.

Two sets of drawings were submitted to the Committee by the Permanent Building Committee, one for a nearly circular building and the other for a rectangular building of more conventional shape. The School Committee favored the rectangular building.

In a formal statement, the committee objected to the circular building because:

1. The polygon shape of class rooms, with interior walls 18 feet wide, outside walls 32 feet wide, and a depth of 36 feet would be a source of distraction. This arrangement presents the problem of slanted walls and blackboard surfaces.

2. The circular school would not serve as a prototype for a larger or smaller school as would the more conventional type of construction. Rooms could be added to a rectangle or square without greatly altering the general plan, whereas in the circle, it would mean a separate unit. The reduction in the number of class

rooms would be simple in the conventional school, whereas in the circle it would create an odd shaped structure.

3. Circular corridors present a problem of safety, especially when contrasted to straight passages where line of vision is not obstructed.

4. Location of the Serving Kitchen in the corridor is a hazard when the age of elementary children is considered.

5. The difference in cost, \$21,000, is a small factor when such a saving could be lost should the succeeding buildings be constructed along other lines.

PERMANENT BUILDING COMMITTEE SPOKE THREE TIMES ON NEW SCHOOL IN PAST WEEK

Members of the Permanent Building Committee have spoken three times, before representative groups of citizens, in the past few days, explaining their position in the coming Town Meeting, with regards to the off-Glen Road School.

On September 2 they spoke before some members of the Wilmington Tax Payers Association. On Sept. 9 the members appeared before the Park Street Acres Association, and before the Baldwin Club.

WHITEFIELD ASSOCIATION BARBECUE

The members of the Whitefield Association, IOOF will have a chicken barbecue, on their grounds on Bay Street Sunday, from 11 am to 5 pm. The public is invited.

JUNIOR BYF RALLY

The Junior High BYF of the First Baptist Church will hold a rally on Sunday at 5 pm at the parsonage on Church St. Included in the program will be an inspiring Bible message, songs, games and refreshments.

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On the Hospitality and Supper Committee are Mrs. Helen LeClerk, Mrs. Ruth Boudreau and Mrs. Barbara Dowling, Membership Committee, Mrs. Barbara Goddard, Program Committee, Nick De Felice, PTA Representative, Harold Hall, Publicity, Mrs. Laura Barron, Ways and Means, George Simmons, Frank Goddard, Mrs. Henry Sullivan and Mrs. Elsie Medico.

Member ship tickets may be had by calling Mrs. Barbara Dowling, OL 8-2852.

They may also be purchased at

the annual supper, which is to be held Monday Sept. 22nd at 6:30 pm. Admission to the supper is purchased with the membership ticket. Following the supper the regular meeting will be held.

METHODIST MEN TO COMPLETE LANDSCAPING ON NEW CHURCH

On Saturday morning, September 13 at 8 a.m. or when the men can arrive, the laymen of the Wilmington Methodist Church will complete the landscaping project begun a few weeks ago. Some forty men were on hand at that time to do the excellent work that has been done and another good response from the men of the church and community will complete the entire project.

WOMEN'S BOWLING STARTS NEXT THURSDAY

The 1958-9 season of the Wilmington Women's Bowling League will start next Thursday evening, at 7, at the Wilmington Bowladrome.

Teams

Team 1, E Traill, M. Murphy, M. Butler, D. Kelley, M. Craik
Team 2, J. Waugh, R. Zwicher, P. Hersom, J. Camber, M. Paulson
Team 3, E. McVickers, A. Weed, M. Foley, B. Blanchette, R. Perry.

Team 4, P. Page, C. Iovanna, M. McKie, R. Ingalls, M. Bradley
Team 5, J. Buckley, A. Visconti, E. Sidelinker, R. Yentile, P. Baker.

Team 6, P. Baker, R. Gatta, B. Collins, E. Marshall, E. McCue.

Team 7, J. Bradley, L. Dou-

cette, M. Dias, T. Howe, R. Hanson.

Team 8 M. Imbimbo, N. Zaccagnini, M. Langone, J. Munroe, M. Johanides.

BENEFIT WHIST FOR WILMINGTON YOUTH CANTEN SEPT. 15

A Benefit whist will be held for the Wilmington Youth Canteen at the Canteen Hall on Route 62, North Wilmington, Monday, September 15, at 8 p.m.

Proceeds will be used to purchase a record player and to help defray the cost of a new heating system.

Donations of small prizes will be appreciated. Please call Louis Kleyen at OL8-3404 or Mrs. John Cosman at OL8-2596.

Committee chairman is Louis

Kleyen, ticket chairman is Robert McCabe, and George Cushing, Mrs. Roland Deming, and Mrs. John Cosman are members.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED CIVIL EMPLOYEES

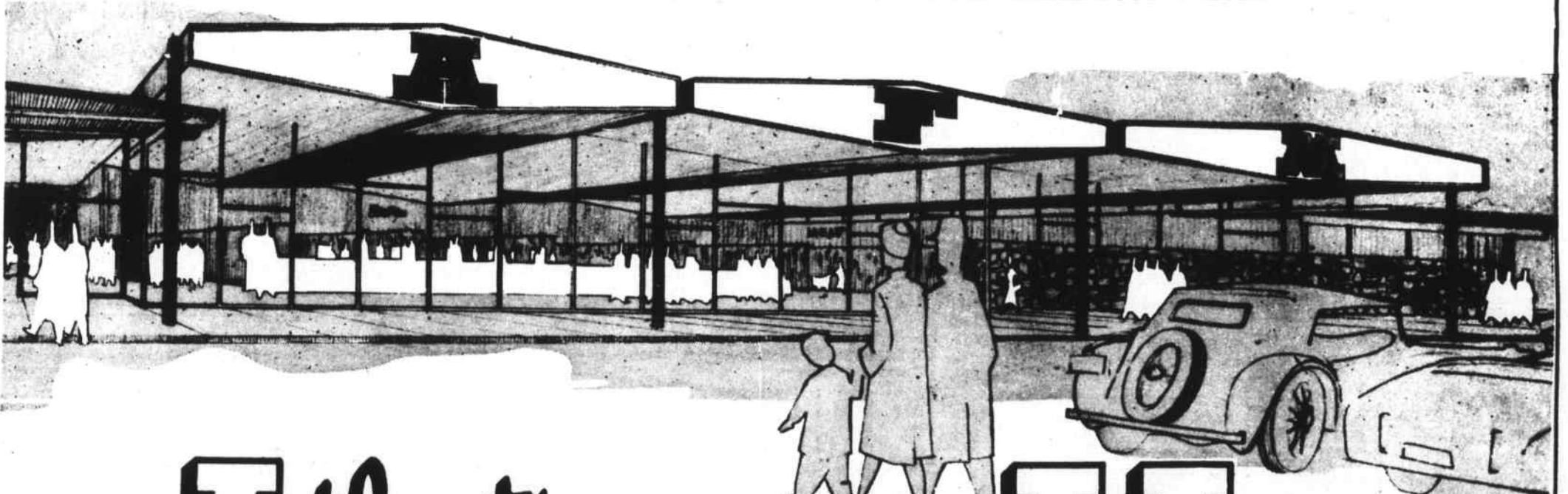
On Friday, Sept 12, at 2:30 p.m. the monthly meeting of Chapter 507, N A R C E will be held in Room 19 of Reading's Municipal Building, Lowell St entrance. Refreshments and a social hour will follow the business meeting.

This is the organization that was largely responsible for securing from Congress the recent increase in annuities for retired federal employees, and all such retirees or their widows, not now members of NARCE are urged to join. Applications may be obtained from Mrs. Laura C Morrison OL8-2034.

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(cont fr Pg 3)

We think the Town will like the idea of the circular school, and further we think the town will like the idea of a committee that wants to stay within its budget. We don't believe the town will subscribe to the idea of squaring the circle - not just now anyway.

Town Notes
(fr Pg 2)

which was just east of Nichols St.

As most of our readers know, the Old Middlesex Canal was the first in what is the United States, to carry traffic. It ran from Charlestown to Lowell and was last used in 1851.

Parts have been filled in not only in Wilmington, but much more so in towns to the south of us.

The section which was just filled in was just south of the Nichols Street locks. A Mr. Nason owns the land, and we can't say that we blame him, for although we have our nostalgia about the old canal we must admit it was a constant source of mosquitoes.

Alps

Residents of the Park Street area, who have been busily engaged in watching the rocks land around the Ethier Home don't seem to realize that another thriller is in the neighborhood, each evening after the blasting crews have gone home.

The kiddoes, bless them, are having a wonderful time becoming mountaineers, climbing the face of the cliff left by the blasting operations.

One 13 year old fell, and only by the grace of a guardian angel was he saved from injury one evening last week.

Some of the would-be Alp climbers, we understand, are in the two and three year old class.

The Kiddies Like It
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year old who is currently attending the morning session at the Swain School.

He thinks double sessions are the best things that were ever invented.

The Teacher can't keep us after School, he explains.

Post Office Changes

The North Wilmington Postoffice will be changed in status on November first. It will become a Station of the Wilmington Postoffice, just as (for instance) Medford and Quincy are Stations of the Boston Postoffice.

The change is being made at the request of the Selectmen, and with the approval of Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers.

To the average resident of North Wilmington the change will mean absolutely nothing. What it is in effect is a different method of accounting, for the Post Office Department.

The only change that will be noticed by some North Wilmington residents will be in the size of packages which may be sent through the mail. At the present time the North Wilmington Postoffice, which is second Class, can accept packages weighing up to 40 pounds, while Wilmington has to refuse any weighing over 20 pounds.

When North Wilmington becomes a station of Wilmington it will have to refuse packages of over 20 pounds.

It might be recorded, at this time, that there are a lot of people who don't have their mail properly addressed. North Wilmington residents lead in this respect - about 25% of the letters, some days, arrive at Wilmington because they do not bear the vital 'North' in their address.

Such letters are frequently delayed 24 hours in their delivery, and in the case of mail that arrives in the Wilmington Postoffice on Saturday morning, the letter does not get delivered until next Monday, if the addressee is on a Rural Delivery Route or General Delivery.

But the North Wilmington residents are not alone in this respect. Many a letter for people in the western part of the town is addressed to 'W. Wilmington' and gets wrongly sent to North Wilmington. West Wilmington people should have just 'Wilmington' on their addresses.

Selectmen's Meeting
(fr Fr Pg)

program, so as to provide a surfaced highway from Glen Road to Salem Street.

It was also agreed to have about 400 feet of Cedar Avenue, between Faulkner Ave and Oakwood Road surfaced, so as to provide a good road to Main St in the vicinity of Steven's Supermarket.

A connection will be made to Cedar Street, from Jones Ave., and for this purpose a piece of land, at the end of Jones Avenue will be taken by eminent domain. If Jones Avenue is extended to Cedar Street there can be better plowing and fire protection, the Selectmen pointed out.

All the road work will be done on the Betterment Plan, and the total cost should come to about \$7-8,000.

Other Roads

Calabrese reported that the draining of the 'low spot' on Eames Street should shortly be finished, that the curve on the corner of Wildwood and Woburn Streets had been improved and that work had started on the Improvement of Hagerty's Curve, on Adams Street Extension.

Fairmeadow Road is scheduled for improvement within a couple of weeks.

The Boston & Maine RR is expected to shortly have their 'bridge' for the Nichols St. watermain erected, at the Nichols St. bridge, Calabrese reported.

The Town Counsel has been acquainted with the latest developments regarding the old Van Steensburg pit, Calabrese reported, and a temporary license has been granted to Campenelli & Cardo to clean up the old Hunt Gravel Pit, off Concord Street. The clean-up is not to be construed as a right to go deeper, or to extend the pit, he explained.

Chairman Frank Hagerty asked the TM to see if he could get the contractor for the sewer line, on Woburn Street to start surfacing the street, now that the work is nearly completed. Hagerty said that the people had been very patient, and deserved to have the street restored to a good condition.

Hagerty also commented on the condition of Andover Street, where the water main was extended this summer. The TM told him that the entire portion would be scarified and resurfaced.

Hagerty asked the TM to have the 'blueberry bush' town seal placed on the new Rescue Wagon just received by the Wilmington Civil Defense. He thought it would improve the looks of the vehicle.

Fire Station

Hagerty reminded Calabrese that \$1500 had been appropriated for repairs to the Fire Station, and that if those repairs were to be instituted shortly it would possibly afford another stall, for parking the ambulance or some other vehicle.

Calabrese reported that he

had intentions of starting to work on the Fire Station file on Tuesday of this week.

The open part of the Selectmen's meeting was over by 10:30 pm.

In a closed door session the Selectmen discussed traffic conditions on Woburn Street, and the lease of the town kennel, on the Ventura property in North Wilmington.

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**BOARD OF APPEALS
PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing will be held in the Town Hall on Thursday, Sept. 18, 1958 at 8:00 pm on the request of Mrs. Loucas F. Cronis, 434 Middlesex Avenue, North Wilmington, for permission to establish a nursing home at the above address.

Walter L. Hale, Jr., Chm.
Board of Appeals.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLANNING BOARD**

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Board in the Town of Wilmington, Massachusetts on September 23, 1958 at the Town Hall at 8:30 p.m. in relation to the rescission of the approval of Land Court Plan 22323A as it encompasses lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and Harden Avenue.

A. Daniel Gillis,
Secretary.

THREE LOCAL WOMEN WIN ATLANTIC FOOD MART PRIZES

Wilmington winners at the grand opening of the fabulous new Atlantic Food Mart in North Reading last week were: Mrs Earl Beddoes of 10 North St, C E Speed Kettle; Mrs Doris M Cady of 130 Church St, Electric utility table; Audrey L Errico, 5 Baland Rd, portable radio.

WILMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS BUS SCHEDULE

(Note: Bus Numbers refer to last number printed on bus, e.g. Bus #2 is Bus 252, Bus #9 is Bus 259.)

BUS #2

Trip #1: 7:20 A.M.-High School Leave Forest and Aldrich, via West, Burlington Ave, and Church St to High School
Trip #2: 7:30 A.M.-High School Leave Boutwell and Aldrich, via Aldrich, Shawheen Ave and Bridge Lane to High School.

Trip #3: 7:45 A.M. (and 12:00 Noon) - Swain School Leave Mill Pond on Chestnut St via Chestnut to Burlington Ave to Forest St, Boutwell St to Burlington Ave to Swain School
Trip #4: 8:20 A.M. - West, Center and Buzzell Leave Nichols Street and Shawheen, via Shawheen, to West School. Proceed via Bridge Lane, and Main St. To schools.

BUS #3

Trip #1: 7:20 A.M.-High School Leave Lowell and West Sts, via Lowell, Main, and Church Sts to High School.

Trip #2 7:45 A.M. (and 12:00 Noon) - Swain School Leave Bridge Lane and Main St, via Shawheen Ave to Nichols St; return via Lake, Grove and Main Sts. to Swain School

Trip #3 8:10 A.M. - Walker, Center and Buzzell. Leave Mill Pond on Chestnut St via Chestnut, Burlington Ave, and Church St to Schools.
Trip #4: 8:30 A.M. Walker and Buzzell

Leave Forest and Aldrich, via Forest, Burlington Ave., Bout-

well, and Church Sts to school BUS#4

Trip #1: 7:20 A.M.-High School Leave Woburn and West Sts, via Woburn, High and Middlesex Ave to High School

Trip #2: 7:35 A.M.-High School Leave Grove Ave and Lake, via Lake, Main, Silver Lake Hardware, Clark and Church Sts to High School

Trip #3: 7:45 A.M. (and 12:00 Noon) - Wildwood ** Leave Hathaway Acres, proceed north via Andover St. to Road Fork, return to Andover and Salem Sts. to Woburn, Park and Gowing Road to Wildwood.

Trip #4: 8:20 A.M. Wildwood Leave Andover and Salem Sts. proceed via Andover to Road Fork. Return via Andover to Woburn, Park and Gowing Road to Wildwood.

Bus # 6

Trip #1: 7:20 A.M.-High School Leave Woburn Line at Main, via Main, Eames, Woburn, Lowell and Adams Sts to High School.

Trip #2: 7:35 A.M.-High School -Girls Leave Main and Grove Ave, via Main, Clark, and Church Sts to High School.

Trip #3: 7:45 A.M. (and 12:00 Noon) - Swain Leave Shady Lane Drive, proceed via Middlesex Ave to Salem St to Tewksbury Line, via Main to Glen Road to Swain. (Note: This bus will take Ballardvale pupils at 12:00 Noon and 5:00 P.M.)

Trip #4: 8:20 A.M. West M. Rogers, Buzzell and Center Leave Bridge Lane and Main, via Shawheen Ave to West School. Proceed to Lake and Shawheen (pick up) via Lake St., Grove Ave. to M. Rogers. Proceed via Grove Ave and Main to schools.

Bus #7

Trip #1: 7:20 A.M.-High School Leave McDonald Road and Salem St, via Salem to Middlesex Ave to High School

Trip #2: 7:35 A.M.-High School -Boys Leave Main and Grove Ave, via Main, Clark and Church Sts to High School.

Trip #3: 7:45 A.M. (and 12:00 Noon) - Wildwood ** Leave West and Lowell Sts., proceed via Lowell to Cross St and Main St. to Woburn line. Return via Main to Eames and Woburn Sts to School.

Trip #4: 8:15 A.M. - Wildwood Leave Lowell and West Sts, via Lowell and Woburn Sts to Wildwood.

Trip #5: 8:30 A.M. - Wildwood Leave Lowell St at Woburn St., proceed via Lowell to Cross St. to Main St to Woburn line. Return via Main, Eames and Woburn Sts to Wildwood.

Bus #8

Trip #1: 7:20 A.M.-High School Leave Mill Pond on Chestnut St via Chestnut St and Burlington Ave to High School

Trip #2: 7:40 A.M. High School and Swain

Leave Shawheen Ave at Lake St proceed via Lake and Main Sts to Silver Lake Hardware. Proceed via Main and Clark Sts to schools.

Trip #3: 8:10 A.M. - Whitefield, Buzzell & Center Leave Myrsted's on Ballardvale St, via Ballardvale, Salem and Middlesex Ave to Schools.

Trip #4: 8:30 A.M. Center, Buzzell and M. Rogers

Leave Middlesex at Glen Road, proceed via Glen Rd to Hamden and Main to Grove Ave. Discharge M. Rogers pupils proceed via Main to Tewksbury line to Salem St. Middlesex Ave to Schools.

Bus #9

Trip #1: 7:20 A.M.-High School Leave Hathaway Acres, via Woburn, Andover Sts and Middlesex Ave to High School.

Trip #2: 7:40 A.M. - High School and Swain Leave Myrsted's on Ballardvale via Ballardvale, Salem and Middlesex Ave to High School and Swain.

Trip #3: 8:20 A.M. Wildwood Leave Hathaway Acres, proceed north to Salem St to junction of Salem and Middlesex, thence to High, Woburn Sts, to Wildwood.

**NOTE

1. Morning buses (7:45 A.M.) will take on the following pupils:

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b) Wildwood School: Grades Four and Five.

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MR AND MRS PASQUALE SCIARAPPA
Mrs Carmele Sciarappa died Monday, September 8, at her home on Andover St, less than three weeks after the death of her husband, Pasquale, on August 22. They had been residents of Wilmington for the past 36 years. They were both born in Italy, he 85 years ago and she, 81.

A Solemn High Mass of Requiem will be celebrated at St Thomas Friday, Sept 12, at 9 a.m. Funeral arrangements are in charge of the McMahon Funeral Home. Burial is in St Michael's Cemetery, Dorchester, Mass.

They leave three sons, Michael, Joseph, and Ernest, and two daughters, Daisy, and Mrs Julia Thompson, all of Wilmington.

JOHN SCOFALTI

John Scofalti, age 81, of New Hampshire Road, off Nichols St, died Friday, Sept 5. He had been a resident of Wilmington for 50 years.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs Mary Ronayne of Wilmington, four grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs Pauline Umile of Connecticut.

Funeral services were held from the W S Cavanaugh Funeral Home on Main St Monday Sept 8 at 8:15 a.m. A Solemn High Mass of Requiem was celebrated at St Dorothy's in South Tewksbury at 9 a.m. Rev Fr Leahy was the celebrant, Rev Fr Tyrrell the deacon, and Rev Fr Kelley the sub-deacon. Burial was in the family lot in Wildwood Cemetery.

SAVES HOUSE, BURNS HANDS

Ralph Chislett, Oakdale Road, North Wilmington kept a fire in the basement of his home from spreading, Tuesday night, but burned his hands in the process.

Chislett went back to the cellar to remove a can of gasoline, after the fire had started.

He had been cleaning the motor of the furnace when the greasy rags he was using ignited by spontaneous combustion.

Damage was confined to a badly smoked up basement.

WILMINGTON SYNAGOGUE

OBSERVES JEWISH NEW YEAR

The Wilmington Synagogue of Salem St, North Wilmington, has been fortunate in obtaining the services of Cantor Emanuel Yellen of Israel for the High Holidays.

The services begin at sundown Sunday, Sept 14, ending Tuesday, Sept 16 at sundown.

Yom Kippur starts at sundown Tuesday, Sept 23, ending Sept 24 at sundown.

A cordial invitation is extended to all of the Jewish faith. No charge for seats.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

The North Branch will meet in the parish house on Thursday at 12:30 p.m.

The Every Member Canvass Committee will meet in the parish house Thursday at 8:00 p.m.

Boy Scouts Friday at 7 p.m.

Meeting of the full Anniversary Committee in the parish house Friday at 8:00 p.m.

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WILMINGTON OPEN HORSE SHOW SATURDAY

The annual Wilmington Open Horse Show, sponsored by the Wilmington 4-H Trailblazers will be held this Saturday, at the Jensen Farm, on Andover St starting at 11 am.

17 events are scheduled. English Pleasure; Ponies Under Saddle; Western Pleasure; Open Jump (Start at 2 feet); Western Equitation (separate events for Juniors and Seniors); Egg and Spoon; English Equitation (Juniors and Seniors); Western Parade, Walk and Trot Equitation (10 years old and under) English Road Hack; Working Western (no rope); Potatoe Race; Barrel Race; Fanny Seat, Obstacle Race; Pole Bending; and Break & Out. Seniors are classified as being 14 and over, and Juniors as being 13 and under.

GIBBONS VISITS WILMINGTON REPUBLICANS

Charles Gibbons, designated Republican Candidate for Governor of Massachusetts kept his word that he would attend the Wilmington Republican Rally, Saturday night, in spite of his greatly increased duties.

Gibbons was host to Vice President Richard Nixon, during the day, both in Springfield and in Boston, and was unable to arrive in Wilmington as early as he had previously planned.

Over 1200 Republicans, by a conservative effort, met at the home of Alice Savko, on Lawrence Street, for the Republican Rally, last Saturday.

When Gibbons arrived, at nearly 11 pm he found several hundred Republican rooters still waiting for him.

Among the Republican notables present during the evening were Mrs. Edith Nourse Rogers, Member of Congress, Daniel 'Chick' McLean, Chairman of the State Republican Committee, Frank Tanner and Arthur J. West II, Republican nominees for the Legislature, E. Nelson Bishop of Reading, and S. Alton Ward of Woburn, chairmen of the Republican Committees of those two communities.

LETTERS

---concerning my recent outburst about your Library building. My feelings about that structure haven't changed in 35 years. I lived in that neighborhood as a youngster an even then I was ashamed of it.

I believe your rather ancient and seemingly inadequate Town Hall is another building that could certainly be improved upon. These places certainly cast a blight on an otherwise modern and fast growing town.

....Since I stopped buying my cars from Fred Cain I've lost track of just about everything that goes on in Wilmington.

I am mailing a check to cover 1 year's subscription to the Town Crier. I believe (as you say) that I will learn a great deal from it.

Sincerely
W. W. Wyman

Dear Captain Larz:

Your article entitled 'The Urban Renewal Director' has shaken me loose from my policy of personal silence. The disturbing factor is that you chose not to print one word of the seven Factual Informative news releases pertaining to Wilmington Urban Renewal Program that I prepared. However, without consulting the fact holder, you chose to print some not too carefully selected information. It is true, I am 'neither fish nor fowl', but I am a man, sincere enough and genuinely interested in Wilmington's Urban Renewal Program to complete the preparation of its Eligibility and Relocation Report without compensation.

The job is not supposed to pay \$125. a week. The approved salary for this position within the budget as approved by Urban Renewal Headquarters Region I, New York, is \$100. - ninety percent of which can be qualified as Urban Renewal work. To quote the 'Manual of Policies and Requirements for Local Public Agencies' part 4, chapter 4, section 4, entitled compensation-paragraph (2) 'Schedules of salary and wage rates so established shall be comparable with the compensation practices of other public bodies in the locality, for positions similar in responsibility and required competence'

The Field Representative for this area compares the position to that of the Town Manager. - A complete budget revision should establish the director's salary on a par with that of the Town Manager's.

Had you read or published the above mentioned New Releases, you would know that

'Urban Renewal is really going' now. True, buildings are not being demolished or moved; families are not being relocated as of this moment; an appropriation is not being requested at the special Town Meeting to represent Wilmington's one third share of the total cost, but a once over lightly review of the Eligibility and Relocation Report requirements that have already been assembled would make it most obvious that this program is well under way.

Since I am constantly in touch with the Federal Authorities and I assure you that they are completely aware of the entire situation, I can openly and honestly state that in no way will my status effect the report that is due. I am, if possible, more interested now in Wilmington's Urban Renewal Program than ever, taking detailed care to conform to each and every requirement of the Federal Authorities. Their interest is in completing each phase of the program properly and in order, not in personalities. Differences of opinion were made public by members of the Wilmington Housing Authority, not by the director. No official Federal criticism has been received by this office as of this date.

Your reference to a 'thorough knowledge of real estate finance' as a qualification for this position puzzles me, since my studies of this program over the past year or so reveal that professional appraisers shall be engaged when that stage of the program is reached. My stock in trade is old-fashioned common sense, and the ability to read and understand the mechanics of this program.

Robert B. Michelson
The Town Crier isn't too interested in printing carbon copies of information sent to other papers. We pride ourselves on being a newspaper.

We couldn't help but notice other 'newspapers' made big headlines of what was essentially a government news release or propaganda.

To make it a little more clear, the Town Crier is sold in over 1300 homes in Wilmington each week because it contains NEWS, not handouts.

BIRTHS

ROUCHE, Keith David, born August 26 at St John's Hospital to Mr and Mrs Leon E Rouche of Oakdale Road. Fourth son.

Grandmothers are Mrs Rhea Rouche of Meadville, Pa. and Mrs Katie Gedrim of Brighton.

BROOKS, Julie Ann, born Sept 8 to Mr and Mrs Joseph Brooks of Salem St, at Winchester Hospital, first child. Mr Brooks is assistant picture editor of the Boston Daily Record.

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